



Meeting Dates & Locations

City Council Regular Meeting - Transit Center	2 nd & 4 th Monday 6:00 p.m.
City Council Study Session - Transit Center (when required)	2 nd & 4 th Monday 5:00 p.m.
Planning Commission Transit Center	1 st & 3 rd Tuesday 6:00 p.m.
Park Advisory Board PW - 615 North 5 th Ave.	2 nd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Design Review Board PW - 615 North 5 th Ave.	2 nd Wednesday 5:00 p.m.
Sequim Marketing Action Committee - Transit Center Conf. Room	3 rd Monday 1:00 p.m.
Centennial Committee Transit Center Conf. Room	3 rd Wednesday 1:00 p.m.
Sequim Speaks – Transit Center	3 rd Thursday 6:30 p.m.

SEQUIM NEWS

March 2010

PUBLIC HEARINGS - (Subject to Change)

March 8:

- Consultant presentation concerning Impact Fees and proposed Ordinances
- Update on Transportation Improvement Plan for Transportation Benefit District

CITY'S YARD WASTE PROGRAM DISCONTINUED

The City of Sequim's yard waste program located at the City shop at 169 W. Hemlock was **discontinued effective February 1, 2010**. D.M. Disposal Co., Inc. is offering an optional yard waste service beginning February 1, 2010. To sign up for this service or if you have any questions regarding the yard waste program or other solid waste collection or recycling services offered, please contact DM Disposal at 452-7278 between 8 AM and 5 PM, Monday through Friday. **However, the City will be having Spring Cleanup at the City Shop, 169 W. Hemlock, on April 15-17, 2010. Watch for details in the April newsletter.**

SPONSORS NEEDED - MUSIC AND MOVIE IN THE PARK – 2010 SEASON

It is time to start thinking about summer and the City's Music and Movie in the Park program. This program is available to you due to the generous cash donations made by local businesses and citizens. The total cost for the program last year was \$13,000. The \$13,000 paid for 12 weeks of music and 3 outdoor movies.

Our goal is to have music events on Tuesday nights from 6-8 pm at the James Center for the Performing Arts from June 22 through September 7, along with movies on three nights after the music. All of this, of course, is dependent upon sponsorship donations.

For your sponsorship, you will receive free advertising in the newspaper, name recognition at each event and advertising on the movie screen prior to commencement of the movies. Sponsors at the \$300 level are also encouraged to display their banner or flag at the center during the events.

If you, or your business, are interested in sponsoring this event, please contact the City of Sequim Clerk's Office, 683-4139, for more information. We look forward to another entertaining season for all citizens.

COMMUNITY GARDEN PLOTS AVAILABLE:

Are you interested in gardening? If yes, then we have a deal for you! Grow your own vegetables, herbs and flowers in a 10-foot by 10-foot in-ground plot or a 4-foot by 10-foot raised garden bed. The cost to rent either is \$45 a year and includes water, tools, seeds, 8-10 organic gardening classes and the joy of being part of a creative, healthy community.

In 2010 Sequim will have two gardens. The Fir Street garden is located on the north side of West Fir between N. 5th Avenue and N. 7th Avenues. At this garden only the 10 x 10' in ground plots are currently available. To obtain information about this garden contact Lizbeth Harper at 683-7698 or lizbethharper@hotmail.com.

The second garden is the June Robinson Memorial Garden. It's located on the south side of East Spruce Street between N. Sequim Avenue and N. Sunnyside Avenues. This garden has both 10' x 10' in-ground plots and 4' x 10' raised beds available. To obtain information about this garden contact Joe Irvin or Jeff Edwards at 683-4908 or jirvin@ci.sequim.wa.us or jedwards@ci.sequim.wa.us.



2010 U.S. CENSUS – COMING IN MARCH

How It Affects the Nation

We Can't Move Forward Until You Mail It Back

The U.S. Census counts every resident in the United States, and it is required by the Constitution to take place every 10 years. Coming soon to you via the mail will be the 2010 U.S. Census form. It's so important you complete the form and promptly mail it back. Census information affects the numbers of seats your state occupies in the U.S. House of Representatives; people from many walks of life use Census data to advocate for causes, rescue disaster victims, prevent diseases, research markets, locate pools of skilled workers, and more.

When you do the math, it's easy to see what an accurate count of residents can do for your community: better infrastructure; more services; a brighter tomorrow for everyone. In fact, the information the Census collects helps to determine how more than **\$400 billion dollars** of federal funding each year is spent on infrastructure and services like:

- ◆ Hospitals ◆ Job training centers ◆ Schools ◆ Senior Centers
- ◆ Bridges, tunnels and other public works projects ◆ Emergency services

Participation isn't just important—it's mandatory. Please participate promptly!

SEQUIM'S NEW VICTORY GARDENS PROGRAM

Do you want to grow your own organic vegetables this summer and learn what you need to know in free classes? How about a discount in relation to watering and organic gardening products from the Co-op, and at the end, receive a \$15 water bill rebate from the City of Sequim? Then quick, get in line for a slot in Sequim's New Victory Gardens program.

If you're selected you'll need to agree to the rules for water conservation, attend the organic classes, convert a portion of your landscape to an in-ground vegetable garden or create raised bed or container veggie gardens and let us check out your results.

Hurry, a limited number will be accepted and it's first-come, first-picked. The deadline is March 15, 2010.

For more information call Associate Planner Joe Irvin at 683-4908 or check out the program applications on the City's web-site, www.ci.sequim.wa.us.

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS UPDATE

In Partnership with North Olympic Salmon Coalition, the Pitship Pocket Bridge is now complete and West Sequim Bay Road through to SR-101 is now open for traffic. The City appreciates your patience during the closing of West Sequim Bay Road.

The Water Reclamation Facility Expansion Project has been funded in a continued partnership with the Department of Ecology Centennial Grant Program, State Revolving Fund and the City of Sequim. The expansion project is now entering its final stages. A recently approved change order requiring the construction of a new floor slab in clarifier #1 may cause a slight delay in completing on schedule as will landscaping and final clean-up that will require milder weather to complete. The contractor is completing and debugging the process control programming and we expect final completion within the next six weeks. Once the project is accepted as complete there is a thirty day commission phase-in which to insure all systems work as designed.

Neighborhood Block Watch

If your neighborhood is interested in starting a Neighborhood Block Watch, contact Maris Turner at the Sequim Police Department, 683-7227 for more information.

Sequim History – 1962

- The Town Engineer made suggestions of basic minimum requirements for acceptance of plats of new additions.
- Glenn Brett was selected to fill the vacancy on Council created by the resignation of Ben Gilbert. William Merrill was selected to fill the vacancy of Harvey Towne who was moving to Seattle.
- A new jail was built.
- Peter F. Black was elected Mayor and sworn in as were Councilors Fred Bowers and Alfons Kaminski.
- An ordinance was passed concerning the keeping of bees in Town.
- Iris Marshall was re-appointed fire chief.
- A bid was accepted for paving Cedar Street from Sequim Avenue to 1st Avenue (now 2nd Avenue) at \$.62 per square yard.
- There were low water issues and citizens were asked to not sprinkle their lawns for one hour when the siren has blown.
- Council was in favor of exploring possibilities of a sewage treatment plant.